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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RULE 53(b)
CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation, divisional, application of pending prior Application No. 09/697,628, (Confirmation No. 4768), filed October 26, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/614,091, (Confirmation No. 1498), filed July 11, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/428,008, (Confirmation No. 4081), filed October 27, 1999, (now U.S. Patent No. 6,551,303). This application also claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/196,454, filed April 11, 2000, U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/206,967, filed May 25, 2000, U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/209,511, filed June 5, 2000, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/211,896, filed June 16, 2000.

Transmitted herewith for filing are the specification; claims; abstract; declaration; power of attorney; arguments for allowability of application; for the above-identified patent application.

The enclosed declaration is:

- Newly executed (original or copy).
- Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)).
- A signed statement is attached deleting inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)).
- The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

The prior application, Application No. 09/697,628, (Confirmation No. 4768), filed October 26, 2000, is assigned of record to Atritech, Inc. (recorded at Reel 11735, Frame 632).

Also transmitted herewith are:

Thirty-Eight (38) sheets of:

Formal drawings.

Informal drawings. Formal drawings will be filed during the pendency of this application.

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